
OLR Bill Analysis

sSB 82

AN ACT CONCERNING PACKAGE STORES AND THE SALE OF GIFT BASKETS.

SUMMARY:

This bill explicitly allows package store permittees to sell gift baskets containing alcoholic liquor and other items they are allowed to sell. By law, package store permittees may sell only the following statutorily specified items:

1. cigarettes;
2. publications;
3. bar utensils, including corkscrews, beverage strainers, stirrers, or similar items used to consume or related to consuming alcohol;
4. gift packages of alcohol shipped into the state by a manufacturer or out-of-state shipper, including certain nonalcoholic gift items that are not worth more than the alcohol;
5. complementary fresh fruits or concentrates used to prepare mixed alcoholic drinks;
6. cheese, crackers, or olives;
7. nonalcoholic beverages;
8. beer and wine-making kits and related products;
9. ice;
10. clothing imprinted with advertising related to the alcohol industry;
11. gift baskets or other containers of alcohol;

12. multiple packages of alcohol; and

13. lottery tickets.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

COMMITTEE ACTION

General Law Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 16 Nay 1 (03/18/2014)